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Hello everyone:

Will you be attending the RCNA convention at the Best Western Premier Calgary Plaza and Convention Centre, Calgary AB, starting July 17 and our CAWMC AGM breakfast meeting, on Saturday July 20th at 8:00? I sure hope to meet you there.

I would like, once again, to thank Judy Blackman, the author of two articles published this month. The first talks about Sherlockian woods, probably better known in the United States, and introduces us to collectors of this genre.

Judy's second article has an international flavor and shows us an Australian Numismatic Society's wooden shield. Very interesting.

While "playing" with my woods some time ago, I realised that many of those show a portrait of a collector, of wooden money or other segment of the hobby, some humorous, some bringing many memories. I will present some of these "portraits on wood" over time, as I gather information. If you have a portrait wood, of yourself or of someone else, that you would like to share, all our members will appreciate it, I am sure.

Speaking of articles, something very exciting is coming up. Please stay tuned...

Meanwhile, take a look at the agenda for our AGM, on page 6. Last minute additions of something you would like to discuss are possible. Drop me a line or see me in Calgary.

Happy Fourth of July to our American members.

Happy Canada Day!

Happy trails to our AGM.



France

Sorry, couldn't help myself!

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Alberta Geocaching Loonie

Free Wood of the Month of July 2019

The featured wood of this month is offered by CAWMC member Eric Jensen of Calgary. Its catalogue number is 8140 - 453.

Eric writes:

This is the second Hanson Rancher Geocaching wood I have had made and donated to the club. Ross Kingdon did a super job writing up both the hobby of geocaching and on the Calgary subdivision of Hanson Ranch for the January 2018 issue of Timber Talk.

My wife Carol and I moved into Hanson Ranch in 2004 and when I decided to join the geocaching activity I signed up at geocaching.com and of course you need to come up with a name to use. Since we lived in Hanson Ranch I figured that it was unlikely that anyone else would have picked this moniker, which they hadn't.



I took some pictures of the statues (horse, rider and dog) and came up with a preliminary design that was eventually used on a Pathtag (pathtag.com). Having fun with the pathtags I then had Canada Wide Woods make up both the first wood and then the one you have now. I had 200 made so that I had enough to donate to the club while leaving me enough to put in geocaches as keepers for the finders.

The Hanson Rancher side is a copper colour and the loon side is black.



Paul R. Petch wood

Note from Editor: I recently asked Paul R. Petch about a wood I remember receiving in 2010. Here is what Paul shared:

I have been looking for information, but don't have the detail I would like. I cannot find the business card of the woman who was the cartoonist, so do not know the person's name.

I was the RCNA 2004 Convention Chairman at the Holiday Inn on Dixon Road in northwest Toronto. On September 29 in that year the Holiday Inn plus the one by Yorkdale on Dufferin St. combined to hold a "Streets of Toronto" client appreciation event. Special features (besides food and drink) at the event were handwriting analysis, a tarot card reader and the cartoonist. Carolyne-Marie and I spent time with each one. The cartoonist was asking people what their hobby was and then doing a caricature of the person busy at their hobby. I asked that instead of the usual approach could she do my image in profile, like it would appear on a coin. That is what she did, and it came out pretty good. I got home and immediately scanned the art in high resolution for future use. Since that time I have used it on a business card, on "thank you" slides at the end of PowerPoint presentations, and of course on the wood.



*I had the woods made by Norm Belsten and normally got 100. I do recall there was one wood that was distributed with Timber Talk one month and cannot recall if it was one of mine or one for North York. Either way there were an extra 100 made of that wood. **Paul R. Petch***



Sherlockian Woods

submitted by Judy Blackman, FONA, KStE

[In the Volume LII, Issue 6, June 2016, IOWMC's *Bunyan's Chips*, you will find on page 5, my article *Sherlockian Woods*. Since I want to share a new wood from this group, it makes sense I include a reprint of my article for *Timber Talk*.]

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's famous detective has been played by at least 75 actors in more than 200 films, as well as TV series, and appeared in 4 novels and 56 short stories. True Sherlock fans visit London (England) for a pilgrimage, which should start with a visit to *Baker Street*. Next up *The Sherlock Holmes Museum* just over on *Devonshire Place*. Holmes has a section at the nearby *Madame Tussauds* with realistic wax figures. Next, one goes to *Speedy's Café*, used to film the TV show *Sherlock*. Onto the *Langham Hotel*—a frequent stay for Doyle — and where Doyle and Oscar Wilde often shared dinners. Go to *Charing Cross* and walk to the *Sherlock Holmes pub* where Holmes tracked down Moulton. Wander up *The Strand* to see the *Lyceum Theatre* and *Royal Opera House* (Freemasons Hall), both favourite haunts of Holmes. Now if you are a diehard Holmes fan, but cannot fly over to the U.K., don't worry, there are plenty of Sherlockians in North America.



A combination of ten Sherlockian and numismatists turned out for the *Numismatic Friends of Sherlock Holmes (NFOSH) Dinner* held March 3, 2016 at the Green Door Public House in Dallas (Texas, USA). This event was held in conjunction with the *American Numismatic Association's National Money Show*. As is traditional for this group, 100 souvenir wooden nickels were issued to commemorate the dinner and given out at the National Money Show. The obverse of this 38mm round (printed in red ink) is the logo of The Fourth Garrideb; and the reverse is the ANA National Money Show / Numismatic / Friends of / Sherlock Holmes / Dinner / March 3, 2016 / Dallas, Texas.



The Garrideb Decadrachm, formerly presented to all members



The weekend of January 16-17, 2016, more Holmes friends converged on New York City for the *BSI Weekend* coming from around the world (Japan, France, Canada, England, Switzerland, Spain, and more). This is a souvenir wood handed out by Greg Ruby, and is similar to the wood issued the previous year. There were 300 of this 38mm round (with black ink) made, and the obverse is Greg Ruby / (Mr. Boh caricature, facing left, wearing a deerstalker cap and with a pipe) / The Sherlockian Coin Collector; and the reverse is BSI Weekend 2016 / (Logo of The Fourth Garrideb) / Greg@FourthGarrideb.com. Greg issued a wood for BSI Weekend 2015, of which he had 500 made. BSI stands for *Baker Street Irregulars* (a group founded in 1934). They met Jan. 4-8, 2017, once again in New York, and have continued to meet at the ANA's Money Show, and met Mar. 28-30, 2019, at the show in Pittsburgh.

The Fourth Garrieb (TFG) organisation (<https://fourthgarrieb.com/>) was founded in 2014 after preliminary organizing discussions and then the inaugural meeting was at the American Numismatic Association's World Fair of Money in Chicago on August 14th. IOWMC/CAWMC member Bob Fritsch is one of its founders.



It was Bob who suggested the club be called *The Fourth Garrideb*, after *Sherlock Holmes's Adventure with the Three Garridebs*, and recounted how Ed Rochette referred to himself as Nathan Garrideb, the only numismatist in the Sherlockian Canon. It was unanimously decided to use this as the name. Officially it is *The Fourth Garrideb – Numismatics of Sherlock Holmes, A Scion Society of The Baker Street Irregulars* and a member of the *American Numismatic Association*. Bob aka *PORLOCK* issued this Sherlockian wood in 1995 (although the contact information has changed since) – it was one of few Sherlockian woods issued at the time.

Robert F. (Bob) Fritsch issued his second Sherlockian wood in 2018. Bob, the 7th Garrieb aka The Coiner (by the zinc and copper filings in the seam of his cuff), issued a Sherlockian wood during the World's Fair of Money in Philadelphia.



The 38mm round, red ink, wood has the obverse ONE BAKER STREET SHILLING / (silhouette of Holmes, facing right, in deerstalker cap with pipe) / 2018, and the reverse (image of a Chinese cash coin).

Greg D. Ruby posted on January 18, 2019, *The 2019 Junior Sherlockian Society Wooden Nickel*. Wooden

money was given out by the Junior Sherlockian Society (JSS) at the 2018 BSI Annual Dinner, and now the 2019 January dinner feature another wood produced by the JSS, and sponsored by the Beacon Society (a scion of BSI). The JSS is searching for young people who are interested in learning about Sherlock Holmes, and in increasing awareness of the JSS and the efforts of the Beacon Society. This year's wood obverse JUNIOR / SHERLOCKIAN / OBSERVE (left facing silhouette of Sherlock Holmes below two crossed keys) REASON / SOCIETY; and the reverse JuniorSherlockian.com / (left facing silhouette Sherlock Holmes) / Unlocking / a young person's / understanding & / appreciation of / Sherlock Holmes / (filigree) / 2019. The 2018 were in black ink and did not have the date. Attendees at the BSI 2019 Annual Dinner and the Gaslight Gala were delighted to each receive two woods each along with a picture card in a small mesh bag wrapped with ribbon. Greg confirmed there were 500 2018 woods made, and 500 2019 made.

As Sherlock Holmes said: *when you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth?* Sherlockian numismatists and wooden money collectors are alive and well, and thriving!

The Australian Numismatic Society's Wooden Medal / Shield

by Judy Blackman, FONA, KStE



This is the Australia Numismatic Society's 75th Anniversary wooden medal / shield which is displayed at meetings and conferences. The ANS is now 106 years old, having been founded in February 1913 in Sydney. The reverse of this wood, commemorates the country's (Australia's) Bi-Centenary (200 years) having been founded in 1788.

The ANS also issued a 75th Anniversary medal, issued in copper-nickel, bronze and also in silver. The reverse commemorates the 175th Anniversary of Australia's First Coinage (Holey Dollar, New South Wales).

I am a long-standing member of the ANS. Each year as a such, I receive a ANS medal. That alone makes membership beneficial, but I also receive journals, bulletins, and get to participate in 2-3 on-line member auctions each year. As well, I get access to other ANS medals, books published by members, pins, tokens, as well as, from the other numismatic organizations in Australia and Tasmania.



Larry Gingras' Catalogue

Note from the Editor: I have recently been offered a digitally scanned copy of "*Wooden Money of Canada*", by Larry Gingras- Vancouver Numismatic Society, published in 1961, along with "*a Supplement to Wooden Money of Canada*", by Larry Gingras, published under the auspices of the Vancouver Numismatic Society in 1963. Both publications amount to a total of 50 pages . They contain pictures of woods and flats issued from 1937 to 1963, most with descriptions and some with anecdotes.

Please email me at france@waychison.com if you wish to obtain a digital copy of the document.



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Agenda for CAWMC Annual Breakfast and General Meeting

To be held Saturday, July 20, 2019 at 8 a.m., *Garden Court 2*
Location: Best Western Premier Calgary Plaza and Convention Centre
BREAKFAST



Welcome

Grace

Moment of Silence for deceased members

Tickets for 50-50 draw and door prizes are now on sale

Enjoy breakfast

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Call to order, confirm quorum

Approval of minutes of meeting held on August 13, 2018

Reports:

President's Report
Treasurer's Report
Motion to approve reports
Fundraising

New Business:

Election of 2019-2021
Executive

Call for Adjournment

DRAWS AND AUCTION



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WANTED

Robert Gabriel, a CAWMC member, is looking to fill some holes in his "Just One Wood" collection of rounds. Will pay \$5 each plus shipping. Send to 28 Hatch St, Nashua, NH 03060-5856 and/or email bgabrielone@yahoo.com

687	Ohio State Numismatic Society		OH
718	Painesville Coin Club	Painesville	OH
789	Ridgewood Coin Club	Parma	OH
838	Seneca Coin Club	Tiffin	OH
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